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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

TALKING POINTS -- US COORDINATING OFFICE

1. WE FELT THAT IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR EACH PARTICIPATING
NATION TO EXAMINE ITS OWN STRUCTURE TO DETERMINE IF IT IS
EQUIPPED TO RELATE EFFECTIVELY TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND
COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND ITS WORK. IN THE US, WE HAVE
CONCLUDED THAT WE WOULD NEED TO IMPROVE OUR OWN CAPABILITY.

2. OUR PRESENT CONCEPT IS TO ESTABLISH A COORDINATING OFFICE
IN THE USG, POSSIBLY WITH MULTI-AGENCY PARTICIPATION TO PROVIDE
A CENTRAL POINT OF CONTACT AND ACTION IN THE PROBLEMS THAT
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WOULD BE GEARED TO INTERFACE WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR, BOTH

BUSINESS AND EDUCATION. IT WOULD HAVE ACCESS TO A GOVERNMENT-WIDE NETWORK OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS COVERING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, PATENTS, SOURCES OF TECHNOLOGY, TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, ETC.

3. AMONG THE FUNCTIONS WHICH WE ARE CONSIDERING FOR THE OFFICE ARE:

--TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND ADVICE, COMPLAINTS, AND LEGAL OR POLICY GUIDANCE.

--TO EXAMINE AND ADVISE ON PROBLEMS ARISING IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FROM THE USG OR THE U.S. PRIVATE SECTOR TO L.A. AND TO FORMULATE PROPOSALS FOR USG ACTIONS.

--TO SERVE AS A BROKER TO ARRANGE RELEVANT S/T SERVICES ON REQUEST.

--TO SERVE AS THE COORDINATION POINT FOR THE ORIENTATION OF USG R AND D ACTIVITIES TOWARD THE SOLUTION OF L.A. PROBLEMS.

--TO FACILITATE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FROM THE US TO L.A.

4. ON THE BASIS OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR OWN NEEDS AND YOUR EXPERIENCE AND CONTACTS WITH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, WE WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN HEARING YOUR VIEWS ON THE FOREGOING THOUGHTS AND, MORE SPECIFICALLY, ON WHICH ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES ARE MOST NEEDED FROM THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND WHERE IN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE THE US COORDINATING OFFICE MIGHT BEST BE LOCATED. KISSINGER UNQTE INGERSOLL

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